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MINUTES OF MEETING OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1970, FACULTY LOUNGE, 7:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

PRESENT:

Strand, K. T.

Chairman

Barlow, J. S. (substituting for B. L. Funt)
Bradley, R. D.
Brown, R. C.
Burstein, K. R.
Campbell, M. J.
Carlson, R. L.
Claridge, R. W.
Cole, R. E.
Freiman, Mrs. L.
Hutchinson, J. F.
Kenward, J. K.
Kirchner, G.
Lachlan, A. H.
Rogow, R.
Srivastava, L. M.
Stratton, S. T.
Sullivan, D. H.
Walkley, J.
Webster, J. M.

Evans, H. M.

Secretary

Kelsey, I. B.

Norsworthy, Mrs. R.

Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

Baird, D. A.
Caple, K. P.
Collins, M.
Drache, Mrs. S.
Hamilton, W. M.
Hean, A.F.C.
Korbin, D. G.
Lebowitz, M. A.
MacKinnon, A. R.
McDougall, A. H.
McLean, C. H.
Perry, G. N.
Sayre, J.
Turnbull, A. L.
Vidaver, W. E.
Wassermann, Mrs. S.

Dr. John Chase was in attendance to speak on Paper S.327.

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*Elections
Departmental Review
Academic Planning*

Senate was informed by the Secretary of Senate that R. D. Bradley had been elected by Joint Faculty to succeed D. G. Tuck for the remainder of his term of office, that is, to May 31, 1970. It was moved, seconded and carried that R. D. Bradley be seated on Senate, and the Chairman so ruled.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by J. Barlow, seconded by L. Srivastava,

"that the agenda be amended to include Paper S.328 - Review Committee, submitted by the Faculty of Science."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

The agenda was declared approved as circulated, with the addition of Paper S.328 under Item 7, Reports of Faculties.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OPEN SESSION OF JANUARY 12, 1970.

The minutes were declared approved as distributed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM MEETING OF JANUARY 26, 1970

It was noted that unfinished business from the meeting of January 26, 1970 was still tabled.

5. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

Paper S.327 - Academic Planning

The Chair was relinquished to L. Srivastava in order that K. Strand might take part in the discussion of Paper S.327 on Academic Planning. L. Srivastava invited Senators to raise questions on this proposal which had been submitted to Senate for information.

It was moved by R. Brown, seconded by G. Kirchner, "that Paper S.327 be placed on the floor," but this motion was eventually withdrawn when it was established that the paper had not been submitted to the meeting for revision or amendment.

Numerous questions were asked by Senators with respect to the proposed relationship between the Academic Planning Committee and Senate with the view expressed repeatedly that Senate should have authority for ultimately deciding program priorities before these are submitted to the Board of Governors. Senators requested that recommendations made by the Committee on assignment of academic and action priorities come back to Senate for consideration. Specific request was made that flow Chart I be amended by adding an arrow at the bottom, to show the bringing of priority assignments back before Senate, but this was not accepted by K. Strand. Several Senators indicated that the criteria to be used by the Academic Planning Committee for determining academic and financial priorities should also be brought before Senate for approval or modification. Question was raised on the legality of the main proposals, but legal opinion had not been sought.

It was pointed out by K. Strand that decisions on proposals would be made in consultation with Senate, Faculties and Departments as indicated in the flow charts accompanying the paper on Academic Planning. He emphasized that although this Committee was not a Senate Committee, but a Presidential Advisory Committee, Senate was given opportunity for involvement in that it would elect three Senators to the Committee. These individuals would help make decisions on priorities and would be able to report back to Senate on decisions made by the Committee and the rationale behind the decisions. K. Strand stated that the pages attached to the cover page S.327 were primarily for the information of Senate, not for amendment, with the only action to be considered by Senate being the bringing forward of names by the Senate Nominating Committee for the three Senate positions referred to earlier, and the dissolution of the Senate Committee on Long Range Academic Planning.

Moved by J. Walkley, seconded by G. Kirchner,

"that Senate instruct its Nominating Committee to come forward at the March meeting of Senate with nominations to fill the three Senate positions on the Academic Planning Committee."

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

11 in favor
4 opposed

Moved by J. Walkley, seconded by A. Lachlan,

"that Senate dissolve its Long Range Academic Planning Committee."

It was pointed out that this Committee had been inactive and that it was intended that academic planning would in future be carried out by the new Academic Planning Committee in conjunction with the Academic Planner, the Faculties and Senate as noted in the paper submitted.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

11 in favor
5 opposed
1 abstained

It was moved by M. Campbell, seconded by J. Kenward, "that Senate establish a Senate Academic Planning Committee with membership consisting of the Academic Vice-President (Chairman), Dean of Arts, Dean of Science, Dean of Education, Dean of Graduate Studies (when appointed), three Senators (to include one Student Senator), with a fourth to be elected concomitant with the appointment of a Dean of Graduate Studies, and the Academic Planner (non-voting), with terms of reference:

1. To review and recommend to Senate all new program proposals submitted to it and to rank these proposals according to their solely academic merit and need.
2. To develop annually a recommendation to the Senate concerning academic and action priority listings.
3. To undertake such other duties as are assigned to it by the Senate."

Request was made by A. Lachlan that the motion be ruled out of order, but this was denied by the Chair. The ruling of the Chair was challenged by A. Lachlan, seconded by D. Sullivan. Vote was undertaken, and the ruling of the chair was defeated, with five supporting the Chair and nine opposed.

K. Strand resumed the Chairmanship of the meeting.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

There were no reports of Committees.

7. REPORTS OF FACULTIES

Paper S.328 - Review Committee

Moved by J. Barlow, seconded by S. Stratton,

"that Senate approve the composition of the Review Committees outlined in Paper S.328 proposed for the Faculty of Science."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Question was raised as to whether the composition of Review Committees could be ratified by mail, with response in the negative. Further question arose as to whether the reviews could be conducted concurrently and K. Strand indicated this could be done.

Moved by M. Campbell, seconded by D. Sullivan,

"that Senate adjourn the Open Session."

MOTION CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT

The Open Session of Senate adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

H. M. Evans
Secretary